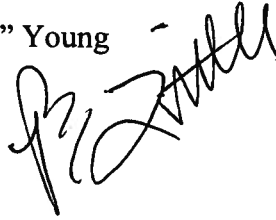


TRANSMITTAL MEMO

TO: Council President Bernard "Jack" Young  
FROM: Peter Little, Executive Director  
DATE: January 21, 2014  
RE: Council Bill 14-0454



**PARKING**  
OF BALTIMORE CITY  
**AUTHORITY**

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 14-0454 introduced by Council President Young at the request of the Administration (Department of Housing and Community Development).

The purpose of this bill is to amend the Urban Renewal Plan for Inner Harbor Project I to delete a building requirement for a certain development area, to delete in its entirety a certain development area from the Plan, and to amend certain exhibits to the Plan to reflect the deletion of the development area; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

The Parking Authority of Baltimore City (PABC) reviewed the proposed legislation and supports the amendments, as well as the Planning Commission's amendment to remove Development Area 7 in its entirety, including existing restrictions that prohibit parking at or above grade. Removing restrictions that do not allow parking structures to be constructed at or above grade does not affect the parking minimums required in the Urban Renewal Plan, or those prescribed by the current Zoning Ordinance. Additionally, although Development Areas 21 and 7 will be deleted from the Urban Renewal Plan, new buildings and land uses will still be required to adhere to parking ratios prescribed by the current Zoning Ordinance. The Parking Authority will be available to work with the property owner and other agencies to ensure that no negative effects to parking will occur as a result of any new buildings and land use changes in these areas.

Based on the comments above, the Parking Authority of Baltimore City supports the passage of City Council Bill 14-0454.

